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DATE: 9/29/2022

SUBJECT: High-Risk Predatory Offender Notification

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NATURE OF INCIDENT:

CASE NO.:

INCIDENT DATE: INCIDENT TIME:

INCIDENT LOCATION:

High-Risk Predatory Offender Notification

In addition to level two notification, law enforcement may notify other members of the community whom the registrant is likely to encounter.

The Duluth Police Department is available to provide you with useful information on personal safety. The Duluth Police Department may be reached at 218-730-5400. To report criminal activity by this registrant or any other individual, please call 911.

Name: Gene C Anderson aka John Michael Hackman

DOB: 09/20/1950

Race: White

Height: 5'7"

Weight: 229 lbs

Eyes: Blue

Hair: Gray or Partially Gray

Registration Statute(s): 609.344

Investigating Agency: St. Paul Police Department

MSOP Provisional Discharge Release Date: 09/29/2022

Supervision Agent: MSOP Reintegration Agent: Rachel Dauk (507) 469-0679

Offense: Gene C Anderson aka John Michael Hackman has a history (1984-1991) of engaging in sexual contact against both, known and unknown female victims ranging in age from teen to adult. Contact consists of Anderson attaining access to the victims then isolating them. Once isolated Anderson used violence and threats of severe harm to maintain control.

Address: 5600 block of Grand Avenue, Duluth, MN 55807

Date of Address Change: 09/29/2022

The *Duluth Police Department* is releasing this information pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 244.052 and 253D. These statutes authorize law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a public registrant's release from prison or a secure treatment facility when the *Duluth Police Department* believes that the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of Criminal Sexual Conduct or another offense that requires registration with law enforcement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 243.166 or 243.167. Pursuant to statute 253D.32, notification of the public and disclosure of information under section 244.052, subdivision 4, regarding an individual who was committed under this chapter; regardless of an individual's assigned risk level, local law enforcement may proceed with the broadest disclosure authorized under section 244.052 subdivision 4 (level 3).

This individual *has served the sentence* imposed on them by the court and is transitioning into the community. This notification is not intended to increase fear but rather raise awareness. Law enforcement believes that an informed public is a safer public.

The *Duluth Police Department* may not direct where this individual does or does not reside, nor can this agency direct where he/she works or goes to school.

Those convicted of sexual or predatory offenses have always been released to live in our communities. It was not until the passage of the Registration Act that law enforcement had an ability to track movement of these individuals after their initial release. With the passage of the Community Notification Act law enforcement may now share information about many of these individuals with the public. Abuse of this information to threaten, harass or intimidate a registered individual is unacceptable and such acts could be charged as a crime. Such abuses could potentially end the ability of law enforcement to provide these notifications.

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